

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1. (currently amended) A takeout holder ~~comprising a takeout jaw~~ formed of plastic comprising:

a semi-circular base having a front edge and a rear edge;

a pocket within the semi-circular base formed by a bottom wall, a side wall and a top wall that extends between the front edge and the rear edge; and

a yoke that extends generally perpendicularly from the semi-circular base, wherein the takeout holder comprises a plastic that provides a longer life expectancy.

Claim 2. (currently amended) The takeout holder assembly of Claim 1 further comprising ~~an~~ a semi-circular nonmetallic insert, wherein the semi-circular nonmetallic insert comprises a bottom wall and a top wall that extends between a front insert edge and a rear insert edge.

Claim 3. (original) The takeout holder of Claim 2 wherein the insert is formed of ceramic.

Claim 4. (original) The takeout holder of Claim 2 wherein the insert is formed of a ceramic composed in part of alumina.

Claim 5. (original) The takeout holder of Claim 3 wherein the insert is formed of ceramic composed in part of alumina - clay composite including a releasing agent.

Claim 6. (currently amended) The takeout holder of Claim ~~2~~ 5, wherein ~~the insert and the takeout jaw are formed as separate units,~~ the semi-circular nonmetallic insert has a profile that is adapted to be inserted in a corresponding slot defined pocket to frictionally fit in a body of the takeout jaw.

Claim 7. (currently amended) The takeout holder of Claim 3 further comprising ~~means for holding the insert in engagement with the takeout jaw~~ an opening in the side wall of the pocket to mate to a corresponding tap on the semi-circular nonmetallic insert, wherein the semi-circular nonmetallic insert is secured removably within the opening.

Claim 8. (original) The takeout holder of Claim 7 wherein the means for holding comprises means for receiving a clip for holding the insert in engagement with the takeout jaw.

Claim 9. (original) The takeout holder of Claim 7 wherein the means for holding includes a détente on a selected one of the takeout jaw and the insert and a corresponding receptacle in an other one of the takeout jaw and the insert.

Claim 10. (currently amended) The takeout holder of Claim ~~6~~ 7, wherein the pocket comprises a wedge shaped profile from the front edge to the rear edge with the distance from the bottom wall to the top wall greater at the front edge than the rear edge and is adapted to fit the semi-circular nonmetallic insert that mates to the wedge shaped profile ~~the takeout jaw includes a sloped surface defining the slot and the insert includes a sloped surface corresponding to the sloped surface of the takeout jaw, the sloped surfaces of the jaw and the insert engaging when the insert is inserted into the slot defined by the takeout jaw. WEDGING EFFECT~~

Claim 11. (original) The takeout holder of Claim 1 wherein the plastic comprises thermoset plastic.

Claim 12. (currently amended) A molded takeout jaw formed of a high temperature plastic comprising:

a semi-circular base having a front edge and a rear edge;
a pocket within the semi-circular base formed by a bottom wall, a side wall and a top wall that extends between the front edge and the rear edge; and
a yoke that extends generally perpendicularly from the semi-circular base, wherein the takeout holder comprises a high temperature plastic that provides a longer life expectancy.

Claim 13. (original) The takeout jaw of Claim 12 wherein the plastic is selected from the group consisting of graphite mineral phenolic resin, glass fiber phenolic, mineral glass phenolic, or mineral phenolic.

Claim 14. (currently amended) The takeout jaw of Claim 12 further comprising ~~a body defining a slot for receiving a separate insert.~~ a semi-circular nonmetallic insert comprising a bottom wall and a top wall that extends between a front insert edge and a rear insert edge.

Claim 15. (original) The takeout jaw of Claim 12 further comprising a receptacle positioned in the pocket to engage lockably ~~for locking engagement with~~ a détente on an extension on the insert.

Claim 16. (original) The takeout jaw of Claim 12 further comprising alignment means for aligning the takeout jaw with a symmetrical takeout jaw.

Claim 17. (original) An insert for a takeout holder comprised of ceramic.

Claim 18. (original) The insert of Claim 17 wherein the ceramic includes alumina.

Claim 19. (original) The insert of Claim 17 wherein the ceramic includes alumina and a releasing agent.

Claim 20. (original) The insert of Claim 17 wherein the ceramic is glazed.